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1920

Jesse L. Harsh House
Gortner
Private

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Jesse H. Harsh House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Silver Knob Rd. E side, approximately .9 miles NW of US Route 219 South

CITY, TOWN

Gortner

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Jesse H. Harsh

Telephone #: (301) 334-3036

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 237

Folio #: 343

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☒ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED

☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Jesse H. Harsh House is located on the E side of Silver Knob Road, just NW of Frozen Camp Run. The site includes a house and a frame bank barn.

The house is a two-story, gable-roofed dwelling measuring two bays on the facade by two bays on the sides. A one-story, shed-roofed addition runs the length of the NE elevation and a one-story, shed-roofed porch runs the length of the facade. The facade points SW.

The house rests on a poured concrete foundation and is covered with white weatherboarding. The windows on the main block are two over two sash, except for the first floor windows on the SE gable end, which are three over one. All windows have simple cornices and plain board surrounds. The door is placed in the SE bay of the facade.

The roof is covered with diamond-patterned asphalt shingles and has exposed rafter ends. The house has one central stove chimney of yellow brick. The addition on the NE elevation has a concrete block foundation and is also covered with white weatherboarding. The windows are one over one sash, and one has been replaced with a square, single pane. The roof is corrugated metal. From the SE side of the addition extends a small porch on a modern sandstone foundation. The roof is a lattice covered with corrugated fibreglas, and is supported by wrought iron posts.

The facade porch has a new foundation of sandstone. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles and is supported by four tapered posts.

The interior is unknown.

The barn rests on a low stone foundation and is covered with vertical boards. The bank entrance is on the E elevation. The barn lies some distance N of the house.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1920

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

? Hess

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is an example of a common western Maryland type. Houses of this general configuration, a rectangular main block and rear kitchen section, were constructed in Garrett County from the late nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries.

This house is the second dwelling on the property. An older house once stood immediately in front of the current house site. The Hesses bought the land ca. 1916 and soon after demolished the older structure. They then built the current house. The barn is probably contemporary with the older dwelling.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

May 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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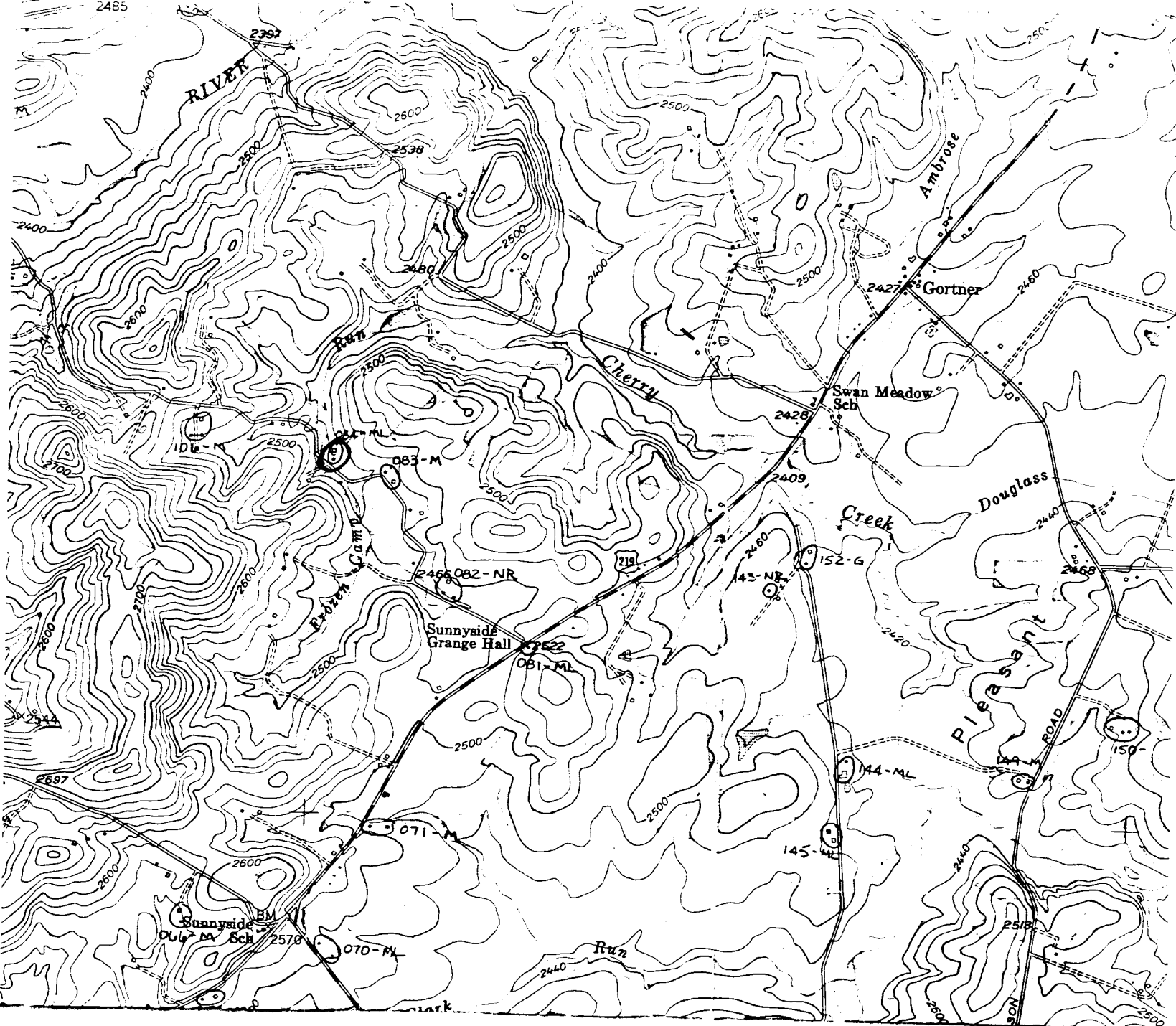


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NW gable end, SW-facade



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SE gable end



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Barn: bank entr., E elev.